

110TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 159

To establish the American Veterans Congressional Internship Program.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 4, 2007

Mr. HOLT introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

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## A BILL

To establish the American Veterans Congressional Internship Program.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. AMERICAN VETERANS CONGRESSIONAL IN-**  
4       **TERNSHIP PROGRAM.**

5       (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is hereby established  
6 the American Veterans Congressional Internship Pro-  
7 gram, under which each Member of the House of Rep-  
8 resentatives may hire, for a period not to exceed 12  
9 months, one additional employee who meets the eligibility  
10 criteria described in subsection (b) to serve as the Amer-  
11 ican Veteran Congressional Intern.

1 (b) CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—An individual is eligible to  
3 serve as an American Veteran Congressional Intern  
4 for the office of a Member of the House of Rep-  
5 resentatives if the individual meets such criteria as  
6 the Committee on House Administration may estab-  
7 lish.

8 (2) SPECIFIC INFORMATION AND ASSUR-  
9 ANCES.—Under the criteria established under para-  
10 graph (1), an individual shall not be eligible to serve  
11 as an Intern for the office of a Member of the House  
12 of Representatives unless the individual provides the  
13 following:

14 (A) A certification that the individual  
15 served in the Armed Forces of the United  
16 States or in the reserve components of the  
17 armed forces.

18 (B) A certification that the individual was  
19 honorably discharged from such service.

20 (c) COMPENSATION.—A Member of the House of  
21 Representatives shall pay the American Veteran Congres-  
22 sional Intern serving in the Member's office a total salary  
23 of \$25,000, to be paid to the Intern at a rate of \$2,083.33  
24 per month out of applicable accounts of the House of Rep-  
25 resentatives.

1 **SEC. 2. NO EFFECT ON NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES OR MEM-**  
2 **BER'S REPRESENTATIONAL ALLOWANCE.**

3 The employment of an American Veteran Congres-  
4 sional Intern by a Member of the House of Representa-  
5 tives, and the payment of a salary to such an Intern by  
6 a Member, shall be in addition to all personnel and allow-  
7 ances otherwise made available to Members under other  
8 provisions of law, rule, or other authority.

9 **SEC. 3. REGULATIONS.**

10 The Committee on House Administration shall pre-  
11 scribe such regulations as may be necessary to carry out  
12 this Act.

13 **SEC. 4. DEFINITION.**

14 In this Act, the term “Member of the House of Rep-  
15 resentatives” includes a Delegate or Resident Commis-  
16 sioner to Congress.

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